

Rt Hon Winston Peters

Minister of Foreign Affairs

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4 March 2026

His Excellency Mauro Vieira
Minister of Foreign Affairs
FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL

Dear Minister Vieira

On behalf of the New Zealand Government, we refer to the *Agreement between the Government of New Zealand and the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil on the Partial Abolition of Visa Requirements* (the Agreement), signed in Brasilia on 20 November 2001.

In line with New Zealand's long-standing interpretation of Article 1 of the Agreement, New Zealand considers that all travel by those holding valid ordinary, diplomatic, official or service New Zealand or Brazilian passports to and/or, from either Brazil or New Zealand, for the purposes of business, tourism, holidays, or visiting relatives, and for a period not exceeding 90 days, is within the scope of the Agreement.

We would welcome confirmation that Brazil also interprets Article 1 in this same way and that Brazil will ensure that New Zealand officials, diplomats, or government representatives travelling on valid New Zealand passports can enter Brazil visa-free.

We refer to the attached Aide Memoire that provides guidance from Immigration New Zealand as to how to ensure visa-free access to New Zealand for Brazilian passport holders.

If the above is acceptable to you, this letter and your letter in reply constitutes an understanding between our two Government as to the interpretation and application of the Agreement.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Winston Peters'.

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Minister of Foreign Affairs of New Zealand

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the *Agreement between the Government of New Zealand and the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil on the Partial Abolition of Visa Requirements* (the Agreement), signed in Brasilia on 20 November 2001, as well as to your letter of 4 March 2026, which states the following:

“On behalf of the New Zealand Government, we refer to the *Agreement between the Government of New Zealand and the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil on the Partial Abolition of Visa Requirements* (the Agreement), signed in Brasilia on 20 November 2001.

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Regarding New Zealand's interpretation of Article 1 of the Agreement, considering that all travel by those holding valid ordinary, diplomatic, official or service New Zealand or Brazilian passports to and/or, from either Brazil or New Zealand, for the purposes of business, tourism, holidays, or visiting relatives, and for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days, is within the scope of the Agreement, I hereby confirm that the Federative Republic of Brazil interprets Article 1 in this same way.

Henceforth, Brazilian and New Zealand officials, diplomats, or government representatives travelling on valid Brazilian or New Zealand passports can enter the other country's territory visa-free for stays up to ninety (90) days.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration and esteem.

Brasilia, 4 March 2026.



Mauro Vieira

Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Federative Republic of Brazil